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§10:127-6.9 Religion

(a) If a facility's program has a particular religious orientation, the facility shall maintain on file in the facility a written description of its religious orientation and any religious practices or restrictions that are observed. Before the child's admission, the facility shall give this description to the child and the parents and discuss its religious orientation, if any.

(b) The facility shall ensure that each child is afforded the opportunity to participate freely in religious activities and/or services in accordance with his or her own faith or with that of his or her parents.

(c) The facility shall ensure that each child is permitted to attend religious activities and services provided either in the community or on site, and the facility shall arrange for or directly provide transportation, if necessary, for any child who wishes to attend religious activities or services unless deemed clinically inappropriate.

(d) The facility shall not coerce or require children to participate in religious activities.

1. The facility shall not punish children who choose not to participate in religious activities.

2. The facility shall not give special rewards to children for participating in religious activities.